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WHEELER ANSWERS DEFAMERS

Purporting to represent the action of the Warren District Trades Assembly, E. T. McCoy sends a set of resolutions to Harry C. Wheeler that protest against his appointment as an officer in the U. S. army. The basis of these resolutions is the deportations of the I. W. W. horde from Bisbee on the morning of July 12. Notwithstanding the fact that the United States government has moved against the wobblies and placed their leaders in jail, McCoy speaks for union labor here as special pleader for this outlandish order. As to whether union labor is behind these resolutions is another matter. It is hard to believe that this is the case.

Sheriff Wheeler's answer is one of the most dignified and patriotic and high minded statements that has been given to the public through the press for a long day. It is reproduced here with pride in our sheriff and the firm faith that he will achieve his great and well earned ambition:

Sheriff Wheeler's Answer.

A copy of the resolutions recently adopted by the Warren District Trades Assembly with the approval of the A. F. of L. of the state of Arizona were recently sent me and upon carefully reading said resolutions little doubt is left as to the antagonism I created in the ranks of the Trades Assembly and the State Federation of Labor by my recent actions in suppressing the treasonable and unpatriotic assembly of the I. W. W. who had taken possession of this district.

I had supposed the I. W. W.'s to be an organization of itself, by itself and because of its known radical tendencies as an organization, to be in disfavor with all fair organizations of American labor; my actions were directed against the I. W. W.'s. I charge them with being enemies of my government and country and my contentions seem to have been upheld by the government in as much as there are 166 I. W. W. leaders under arrest by government order under charges similar to those which I made against them July 12th of the present year.

In consideration of the resolution of the Warren District Trades Assembly as directed against me, copies of which they have sent to various officials in the United States, and having informed me that they intend to publish the same in the local press, so far without having done so, I wish to state in reference to said resolutions. I stand today, where I have always stood, unwilling to yield one inch of vantage to any foe of my country or its government and I care not who or what the man may be, if he be a foe of the United States, he is my foe without compromise to the end.

I have never been opposed to honest labor but latter seems to have taken up the I. W. W. cause against me and, as a means of hurting me most, is opposing my entrance into the army of the United States. I have no wish to permanently enter the army, being in the old age of my youth; I realize I could yield but a short period of usefulness to the army, but such as I am I have offered freely—still offer freely and if accepted even the supreme sacrifice of a soldier would be met gladly and with the willingness and the pride under such circumstances a soldier would know and feel in the knowledge of duty well performed in the service of the country he loves above all else.

To you men who would take from me the privilege of serving the flag; to you men who would deprive the country in time of war of the services of an experienced man and soldier, I would say: I have four times tried to enter the services of the United States; how often have you done likewise? If through your actions prompted by pique or spite, I am denied the high

U. S. MAY OPERATE ARIZ. MINES

MIAMI, Oct. 6.—President Wilson has determined, in the event of any difficulty in making a quick and fair settlement between the striking miners and the owners of the copper mines in Arizona, that the United States government will take over and operate the mines. This statement was made yesterday by John Murray, delegate sent to Washington by the Arizona State Federation of Labor, who has just arrived in Globe.

"This is not a mere Washington rumor," asserted Mr. Murray, "for I gave it on the authority of those who had personal conference with President Wilson after he had named the commission. This commission's report will be the deciding factor in the fate of the mines during the period of the war. Copper, the nation must have without the slightest delay and whether the mines are to be taken over and operated by the government or whether they are to remain in the hands of their present owners is a matter of secondary consideration with President Wilson in view of the needs of the hour."

The arrival of the commission in Globe is only the matter of a few days, asserted Mr. Murray, who believed from his last talk with Secretary of Labor William B. Wilson, that the visit to Phoenix and Governor Campbell will only be a matter of form and take but a short time.

TWO SCHOOLS FOR SONORA'S ORPHANS

DOUGLAS, Oct. 6.—A proclamation has just been issued by General Calles, governor of Sonora, asking the people of the state to raise \$2000 with which to build two schools for orphan children.

It is the plan of General Calles, as outlined in the proclamation, to build two schools at Hermosillo for the accommodation of the orphans of the state. There is one orphanage at Hermosillo at this time, but it is said it is not large enough to accommodate all of the orphans of the state, and the plan is to build two additional buildings.

According to information received from the capital of the state, the two proposed school buildings are to be the best in point of modern convenience, in Northern Mexico. It is planned to install an electric light for the buildings.

privilege of becoming a member of the army and the army in turn through your actions loses the services of one willing man, which one of you gentlemen, married and beyond the draft age, contemplates a voluntary service to make up the loss? For the loss of one volunteer at this time, of a man over draft age, is in reality and in fact a loss.

You would deny me a position of trust in the army, yet you permit me to hold a chairmanship of the second largest exemption board in the United States, which is a real post of honor and of trust. You should take from me every honor I hold, gentlemen of the Trades Assembly, if you are to be consistent. Yet mark well the dividing point between pique and principle. Cease at the point where your country's interest, however small, may commence, and begin if you will with mine.

HARRY C. WHEELER,
 Sheriff and Chairman Local Board of Exemption.

"WAY DOWN YONDER IN THE CORNFIELD"



Photo by American Press Association.
 Member of Twenty-second engineers of New York at Spartanburg, S. C., picks out a fine place to sharpen his ax near Camp Wadsworth.

PHOENIX GIRL MISSING; SEARCH BEING MADE BY STATE OFFICIALS

PHOENIX, Oct. 6.—Distracted by the disappearance of her sister, Miss Hattie May Harris, whom she believes has left with J. B. King, who is wanted in Los Angeles on charge of the theft of an automobile, Miss Ray Harris appealed last evening for aid in the search for the lost girl.

Since September 25, Miss Hattie has been missing. She left home that evening with King, having been granted permission to attend a picture theater on the promise of returning home by 9:30 o'clock. The following morning, when Miss Harris learned that her sister had not returned, she at once notified the police and the sheriff's office. The authorities had already been on the lookout for King on complaint of the California officers and renewed the search with increased vigor when they discovered a young woman had become involved in the case.

FORMER TUCSON REPORTER ARRESTED WITH PACIFISTS

Harold S. Storey, a California newspaper reporter who was employed in Tucson for a short while, has been having pacifist adventures in the Golden State. Press dispatches state that he was arrested at a pacifist meeting in Los Angeles on Monday, and Thursday night, in company with others, he was escorted out of South Pasadena by the home guards when a pacifist meeting was raided.

Upon leaving Tucson Storey went to the Hawaiian islands to accept a teaching position in a school, but appears to have returned to his former stamping grounds. He was a young, college-bred fellow, with a ministerial aspect, enhanced by small sideburns. Storey was arrested in company with Rev. Robert Whittaker at a pacifist meeting in Los Angeles Monday.

Fifteen men were taken from the pacifist meeting in South Pasadena Thursday night, driven to the city limits in automobiles and given the suggestion not to return. Women attending the meeting were told that further attempts to meet would not be tolerated.

White Sox Win in First Game Today

CHICAGO, Oct. 6.—The first game of the World's series played here today resulted in victory for the Chicago White Sox, the score being 2 to 1.

EVERYTHING WILL BE MINING AT ARIZONA STATE FAIR THIS YEAR

The men available for entertaining and instructing the visitors in mining this year at the State Fair are as follows:

S. C. Dickson, Safety and Welfare expert of the Bureau of Mines, with a team of four students of the University of Arizona, will demonstrate First Aid and Mine Rescue work hourly.

C. A. Herbert, Engineer in charge of the United States Bureau of Mines Rescue Car No. 2, will be on hand with the car and his corps of assistants.

Milton A. Allen, Mineral Technologist of the State Bureau of Mines, is to give lectures on the War Minerals and Industrial processes, conducting a continuous lecture and moving picture show.

George R. Fansett, Rock Analyst of the Bureau will be ready to give either private or class lessons in field mineralogy.

Everything will be on hand to make this the biggest mining show ever held in the west.

Superintendent Charles F. Willis, in speaking of the mineral department, said "mining is to be feature of the Fair this year. You will hear mining and see mining on all sides, and I am sure that the visitors will feel well repaid for their trip to Phoenix by the mineral exhibit alone."

SHERIFF'S BROTHER IS LIEUTENANT IN RAINBOW DIVISION

Should Harry C. Wheeler, sheriff of Cochise county, succeed in being admitted to the army of the United States, it will mean the last of the Wheeler family has gone into service. Yesterday Harry Wheeler received a letter from his younger brother, William, that he would shortly sail for France as a first lieutenant in the 165th Infantry, Forty-Second Division, United States army.

Wheeler comes from a military family. His father was retired a colonel, at the time in command of the Twenty-Second Infantry. Harry C. has served in the regular army and in the volunteers during the Spanish-American war.

William Wheeler, his brother, had been a resident of Brooklyn, was graduated from the first Plattsburg training camp as a first lieutenant. He was immediately assigned to the Rainbow Division, the 165th Infantry. This regiment is one of the most famous in the country. It was formerly the Sixty-Ninth, New York, composed largely of Irishmen. It is commanded by Colonel Hine, formerly a resident of Tucson and well known in Bisbee. The division is under the command of Major General Mann and is camped at Mineola, Long Island.

"I finished Plattsburg officers' camp O. K.," says Wheeler to his local brother, "and was assigned by the war department to the 165th Infantry, which was the 69th New York Irish regiment. They are a splendid bunch—and mostly all Irish. We are in the Rainbow Division (42nd) and expect to sail for France within—"

Lieutenant Wheeler then tells his brother of much hard work; many, many men in uniform and great enthusiasm. He ends his letter with a desire for letters and a hope that he will serve his country well and return to his native land.

RESTRICTIONS ON GAME IN ARIZONA ARE HERE GIVEN

The ban on the following game is or will be lifted during October:

Deer, October 1 to November 1, bag limit, one buck deer.
 Ducks, geese, coots, rail and larger shore birds, October 15 to January 31; bag limit, 20 birds of all said varieties in one day or in possession at any one time.

Doves and white wings, July 15 to December 31; bag limit, not exceed 25 birds in possession at any one time, or in one day, counting both varieties. Gambel's or Valley quail, October 15 to December 1; bag limit, not to exceed 20 birds in one day or in possession at any one time.

Turkey season opened October 1, bag limit, two in season.

From this date until the new year, Arizona sportsmen will be afforded an exceptionally rich field for game. During this period it will be unlawful to kill practically all of the various game birds and animals.

Doves and white wings have been in season for nearly two months now but starting with this date it will be lawful to kill deer and turkey. The season on this game closes November 1, however.

October 15 the ban on ducks, geese, coots, rail and quail will be raised. The season on quail closes January 31, but with the others, it will be illegal to take the same after December 31.

Interest is now centered of course,

HUNG JURY IN PATTERSON CASE TODAY

This morning the jury in the case of the State vs. Eva Patterson, a Douglas woman, who was tried for the killing of a man on the main line train several weeks ago, returned in to court and reported that they were unable to come to an agreement and were discharged by Judge Baughn. The case went to the jury just before evening recess yesterday afternoon, and had been on trial all days yesterday.

Monday the case of the State vs. Espinosa, charged with the killing of John McCloskey, the aged rancher of Courtland, will be tried. A large number of witnesses are to be heard.

DRAFTED MEN ARE ON LEAVE TO GO IN NEXT BATCH

Places will be left in the fourth contingent for all those who have been discharged for periods of from thirty days to six months or more, according to orders received from Federal Agent Breen at Phoenix by the district board at Tucson Thursday.

It had previously been ordered that those who had received exemptions for periods extending beyond the date of departure of the last contingent would go with the second draft if there was a second draft.

The new order means that if a man's temporary discharge expired even a year hence, he would go to whatever camp there is at that time as a member of the fourth contingent.

The significance of the order is that there will be no second draft, but that all registered men will be examined and sent when ordered.

The district board at Tucson passed judgment upon a large number of claims Thursday in every county in its jurisdiction.

The decisions were: Graham county—Albert Lewis, Charles Wasson, Ohman Ragan and Walter E. Clifford held for service.

Santa Cruz—John Sorrells discharged.

Cochise—Walter B. Logan, discharged; Calvin B. Sloan, held; Ben Critchley, who recently suffered an accident in a mine, discharged; John Kusniak, discharged; R. M. Driebell, held; J. M. Woo, held, his appeal to the president being refused because his claim was for dependency; Gormal M. Goings, held; Richard Wilson, held; Ernest Reahey, held; Samuel Tyson, held; Harry Christiansen, given to January 1; W. R. Marston, discharged; August F. Borrego, held; Fred D. Rollins, held; Robert B. Chase, held; Roy Dobrich, held; Berry Gardener, held; Charles G. Seale, Albert Fitzgerald, discharged; M. F. Nichols, discharged; J. W. Rhineberger, discharged; William A. Arthur, discharged; Leroy L. Walton, Ira Ernest Ford, discharged; T. B. Nolan, discharged; Arthur Detuff, discharged; James Forsyth, held; Charles H. Baker, discharged; Andrew Morensen, held; Carl Hill, held; Harry S. Becker, discharged; Wald S. Nance, held; Louis W. Rader, Joe R. Sumrell, held; Henry M. Lday, held; Joseph J. Murphy, held; Walter J. Smith, James Corley, held; Daniel de L'O, discharged; Anaceto Roas, held.

on deer and turkeys. The fields are dotted with hunters even at this early date, it is stated. Others are planning on going at the week end.

TOMBSTONE STREET WORK PROGRESSES

ALLEN STREET CLOSED

This afternoon Mayor Guy C. Welch announced that beginning tomorrow Allen Street from Fifth to the railroad track where the work of rebuilding the street is in progress will be closed to traffic, excepting as to side streets, where vehicles may cross. A place for crossing will be left at each street crossing Allen, and in no case will traffic be permitted on Allen between the two points in which work is in progress.

Work of building up Allen street which was started several days ago has gotten well under way and today showed considerable headway. A big steam tractor and plow are now being operated tearing up the present surface and as soon as this is accomplished, a grader will be put to work lifting the earth from the sides to the center. This will make a high center with the gutters on either side for drainage. Culverts and drains are to be installed at intersections of side streets where necessary and the work of completing the street from the corner of Fourth to the railroad track on Allen street, is expected to be completed in at least 15 days. When this is done the work will be taken up from the corner of Fifth to Tenth on Fremont street which will give a complete stretch through the city on the State Highway. If there is enough money remaining in the street fund, the work will continue down from Fifth street on Fremont in front of the city hall and down as far as possible.

Much satisfaction is expressed from all sides on the manner in which the city funds have gone after the street improvement in securing the machinery, etc., which will greatly expedite the work and result in more street building for the amount of money.

CLIFTON MINES WILL BE IDLE DURING FEDERAL PROBE

CLIFTON, Oct. 5.—It appeared today that the copper mines in the Clifton-Morenci-Metcalf district, which have been closed because of the miners' strike since early in July, would remain idle at least until after President Wilson's labor investigating commission visits this district.

Yesterday the Mexican and Spanish miners voted to return to work pending the arrival of the commission, but last night they rescinded this action and decided not to seek work until after the commission investigates strike conditions here.

Sheriff H. A. Slaughter still is holding in jail 70 of the Mexicans who were arrested charged with inciting to riot Sunday night.

Sheriff Slaughter today issued a statement replying to one given out recently by Mexican Consul Gutierrez, who said that the Mexicans marching to Clifton Sunday night were intent on seeking employment and had no thought of creating a disturbance.